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In re application of

Applicant: Chen, et al.

Continuation Prosecution

Application of

Serial No.: 08/997,774 filed December 24, 1997 with a
first CPA filed November 21, 2000

Title: CATALYTIC CONVERTER SYSTEM FOR INTERNAL
COMBUSTION ENGINE POWERED VEHICLES

Art Unit: 1764

Examiner: H. Tran

September 28, 2001

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SECOND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Sir:

Enclosed herewith is Appellant's Brief on Appeal. Please amend
the above referenced application to place it in better condition for
appeal as follows:

In the Claims:

Cancel claims 8 and 12-14 without prejudice to filing a
continuation application.

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Amend claim 4 as follows:

c! 4. (Thrice Amended) The converter system of Claim 3, further in
combination with a muffler at a muffler position and a tailpipe
downstream of the muffler in a tailpipe position, said low temperature
conversion catalyst is disposed at the tailpipe position downstream of
the muffler position.

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